

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An accelerator pedal module (1) for controlling the power of a driving engine, in particular an internal combustion engine of a vehicle, comprising,
 - a bearing block (4) embodied as a one-piece molded part comprising a bearing region having a bearing bore and at least one bearing face (82),
 - a pedal lever (2) retained rotatably in bearing face (82) and being coaxial with about a pivot axis (20) on the bearing block (4),
 - a rotation sensor (102) having a sensor shaft (100) actuated by the pedal lever (2), the sensor shaft being coaxial with the pivot axis (20), and
 - at least a part (104) of the sensor shaft (100) being directly supported rotatably in a the bearing bore (98) of a the bearing region that is integral with of the bearing block (4), of which wherein at least part of a radial surface of said bearing region at least a part of a radially outer surface forms said at least one bearing face (74, 82) for the pedal lever (2); and wherein the bearing block is embodied as a one-piece, molded part.

2. (Previously Presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 1, wherein the bearing region is formed by a hollow peg (78) of the bearing block (4), the hollow peg being coaxial with the pivot axis (20).

3. (Previously Presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 2, further comprising a plurality of partly cylindrical bearing faces (74, 82) of different diameter embodied on the radially outer surface of the hollow peg (78).

4. (Previously Presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 3, further comprising complementary bearing faces (88, 90) of the pedal lever (2) that are coaxial with the pivot axis (20) and partly cylindrical, and are associated with the bearing faces (74, 82) of the hollow peg (78).

5. (Previously Presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 4, further comprising a restoring spring system (10) for restoring the pedal lever (2) to an idling position, the restoring spring system (10) tensing the bearing faces (88, 90) of the pedal lever (2) against the bearing faces (74, 82) of the bearing block (4).

6. (Previously Presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 5, wherein the pedal lever (2) is guided between two cheeks (14) that are integral with the bearing block (4).

7. (Previously Presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 6, wherein the sensor shaft (100) is rotationally coupled directly to the pedal lever (2) by means of at least one driver (110) protruding radially through a wall of the hollow peg (78).

8. (Previously Presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 7, wherein one end (104) of the sensor shaft (100) is rotatably supported in the bearing bore (98) of the hollow peg (78), and the other end (106) of the sensor shaft is rotatably supported in a sensor housing (108) that is fixed on the bearing block (4).

9. (Previously Presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 8, wherein the driver (110) is embodied integrally with either the pedal lever (2) or the sensor shaft (100).

10. (Previously Presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 9, wherein the hollow peg (78) of the bearing block (4) comprises a slot (112), open toward the sensor housing (108), for the lateral introduction of the driver (110).

11. (Previously Presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 10, wherein the driver comprises a driver pin (110), embraced in a recess (114) in the pedal lever (2) or in the bearing block (4).

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12. (Previously Presented) The accelerator pedal module according to claim 11, wherein the recess is formed by a blind bore (114), whose cross section is smaller than the cross section of the driver pin (110), at least one side wall of the blind bore being elastically deformable upon introduction of the driver pin (110).